

# HONGKONG & CHINA DAILY



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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1894.

THIRTY DOLLARS  
PER ANNUM.

## Banks.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.  
AUTORISED CAPITAL ..... £1,000,000  
SUBSCRIBED ..... £1,000,000  
PAID-UP ..... £500,000

BANKERS: LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—  
For 12 Months ..... 5 per cent.  
" 6 " ..... 4 "  
" 3 " ..... 3 "

JOHN THURBURN,  
Manager, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 18th June, 1894. [20]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital ..... £1,000,000  
Subscribed Capital ..... £500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Chair of Directors:—  
D. Gutter, Esq. C. W. Tan, Shang, Esq. C. H. P. Shan, Esq. Kwan Ho Chua, Esq. H. Stoltefort, Esq. Chief Manager, GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Branches:—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

BANKERS:

The Commercial Bank of Scotland. Parr Banking Co. and The Alliance Bank (Ltd.)

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent. London, 16th November, 1893. [7]

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ..... £3,000,000  
CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... £25,000,150

BANKERS: CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE: No. 3, PRINCE'S STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES: BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

AGENCIES: PENANG, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF INTEREST, ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,

Manager. Hongkong, 16th November, 1893. [210]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... £800,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-HOLDERS ..... £800,000

RESERVE FUND ..... £275,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months ..... 5 per cent.

" 6 " ..... 4 "

" 3 " ..... 3 "

A. C. MARSHALL,

Manager, Hongkong. Hongkong, 17th May, 1894. [563]

Announcements.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

THE BLACK PLAGUE.

THE HONGKONG MINSTRELS

WILL GIVE

TWO MORE

OF THEIR

POPULAR ENTERTAINMENTS

ON

SATURDAYS,

SEPTEMBER THE 22ND AND 29TH,

For the BENEFIT of the

PLAQUE WORKERS.

UNDER DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE AND SUPPORT.

ENTIRE CHANGE OF PROGRAMME.

FULL PARTICULARS in PROGRAMMES, which will be issued on or about MONDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER.

Popular Prices ..... \$3 & \$1. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform, half-pence to Back Seats only.

Doors Open at 8.30.

Commencing at 9 o'clock precisely.

PLAN and TICKETS at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, Limited.

SEATS may be Booked on and after SATURDAY, September 15th.

A SPECIAL TRAM will run to the Peak, and a SPECIAL LAUNCH to Kowloon, 15 minutes after each Performance.

WILLIAM BLAYNEY,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1894. [569]

## Insurances.

THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY

has a long record of GOOD SERVICES to refer to; its FUNDS, annually increasing, amount to £7913,375 £1. The premiums are moderate; and all modern features consistent with safety have been adopted.

For particulars and rates, Apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 29th June, 1894. [743]

THE MEIJI FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF TOKYO.

THE AGENCY of the above-named Company having this Day been TRANSFERRED to the Undersigned, they are now prepared to accept RISKS against FIRE at CURRENT RATES.

For the MITSUI BUSAN KAISHA, K. FUKUJI, Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1894. [746]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } \$833,333.33.  
EQUAL TO ..... \$318,000.00  
RESERVE FUND ..... \$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq. LO YEEU MOON, Esq.

LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST. Hongkong, 17th December, 1894. [940]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ..... \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

JCHAU TSEUNG FAT, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST. Hongkong, 26th May, 1894. [740]

NOTICE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

DURING my absence from Hongkong Mr. C. L. GORHAM has been appointed ACTING AGENT of the above Companies.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1894. [667]

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PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF

HONGKONG, No. 1165, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, TO-MORROW, the 15th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1894. [656]

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1894.

AT 2.30 P.M.

COMPETITION, SHORT RANGE CUP and SPOONS; Ranges, 200 and 400 yards; Seven Shots. Entrance fee, 30 cents.

AND AT 4 P.M.

Mr. WODEHOUSE'S TEAM v. Capt. G. K. MOORE'S TEA. Conditions—Six a side, best five scores to count. Members of each team must never fire out of a Martini-Henry or Lee Milford rifle before Five Shots at 200 and 400 yards. Army, Navy and Civil Service excluded.

G. K. MOORE, Honorary Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1894. [646]

TO JOURNALISTS.

AN EXPERIENCED and CAPABLE JOURNALIST is wanted for the staff of the HONGKONG TELEGRAPH. Liberal terms to a competent man; no other need apply.

Full particulars as to experience, capacity, and terms to be sent to

R. FRASER-SMITH, Editor & Proprietor.

Hongkong, 7th September, 1894. [740]

ANNUAIRE-ALMANACH DU COMMERCE.

(DIXON-BOTTIN.)

THE PUBLISHERS of this world renowned DIRECTORY have for the first time despatched an AGENT to the FAR EAST to represent its interests.

For nearly eight years this invaluable work has been most favorably known in all Mercantile Communities throughout the world, and its issue for 1895, written up to date, will be the most comprehensive and reliable guide, not only to France and its Colonies, but likewise to all Foreign Countries.

Orders for Copies of the Directory and for Advertisements should be sent to

A. ROBAGLIA,

Agent.

No. 2, Prudential Hill.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1894. [669]

## Intimations.

DAWSON'S PERFECTION OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.

ALLISTON & CO., SOLE AGENTS, Hongkong and the Far East.  
4, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1893. [641]

THE

**HONGKONG HOTEL.**

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "KREMLIN"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, NO. 32.

PROPRIETORS: THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1894. [627]

## Intimations.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, TO-MORROW, 15th September, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1894.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 15th September, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1894. [627]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, at Twelve o'clock NOON, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 30th April last, and of Declaring Dividends.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 22nd instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

W. H. RAY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1894. [624]

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given that FIRST RETURN OF CAPITAL amounting to £7.50 per Share has been DECLARED in this matter.

SHAREHOLDERS on the Register can obtain PAYMENT of this on producing their SCRIP to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after the 20th September, 1894, and on signing the Form of Receipt to be obtained at the said Bank.

Hongkong, 31st day of August, 1894. J. GOOSMANN, Liquidator.

PEDESTRIAN CHALLENGE.

ARTHUR HANCOCK, Fifty Miles Champion of the World, hereby offers to give any Gentleman in Hongkong a start of ONE MILE in ONE

# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1894.

## Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED,  
VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

## EUCALYPTUS OIL

MESSRS. DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & CO., LTD., were the first to introduce EUCALYPTUS OIL into Hongkong, and the quality of their import is still unsurpassed.

### EUCALYPTUS OIL

Is a sovereign remedy for COLDS, INFLUENZA AND CATARRH. A first-rate Germicide. Is a more powerful disinfectant than Carbolic Acid.

FOR MOSQUITO BITES,

FOR USE IN THE BATH.

D. C. & Co's

### EUCALYPTUS OIL

BOTTLES—50 cents & \$1.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1894.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITEED.

We have Received our First Shipment of VEGETABLE & FLOWER SEEDS.

SEASON 1894-95.

The SEEDS will be OPENED OUT as soon as the weather sets fine, and in the meantime orders will be booked for execution in the sequence in which they are received as long as the supply lasts.

### SEED LISTS.

with

HINTS FOR GARDENING have been issued and may still be obtained on application.

Our Seeds are all tested before being put up in London. They are packed under our own Supervision, and the greatest care is exercised to insure protection in transit.

Sowings should be made in fine weather only and the remainder of the packets secured from damp, and kept in a dry place for repeat sowings.

### CLAY'S FERTILIZER.

A high-class Fertilizer for Pot Plants and for use in the Garden generally: it supplies natural nourishment to the soil, and assists the process of assimilation, thereby aiding the Plants to attain to their full size, vigour and beauty.

Sold in Tins containing 10 lbs. each... \$1.75  
" " 28 lbs. "... \$4.50  
Directions for Use are given on the Label.

### RANSOME'S "NEW PARIS"

L. A. W. N. M. O. W. R. S.,  
The Best and Cheapest Machines in the Market.  
For Sale at Manufacturers' Prices.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,  
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.  
Hongkong, 20th August, 1894.

**The Hongkong Telegraph**  
HONGKONG, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1894.

### THE ETHICS OF SUICIDE.

A PRIVATE of the Lincolnshire Regiment named THOMAS BURKE was brought before the Magistrate at Singapore the other day for having attempted to commit suicide in the Criminal Prison in that colony on the 2nd Inst. Mr. Burke would appear to have the suicidal impulse very bad—almost as bad as the dipsomaniac's jins-jams. On three separate occasions since the Regiment arrived in Singapore has he attempted to take his own life, and unfortunately, in our opinion, without success. Probably he didn't go the right way about the job, and it may also be possible that he didn't want to summarily extinguish himself altogether, but deliberately invited that form of notoriety which is so keenly sought after by a certain class. Anyhow, on the first occasion a court-martial, in a fit of outrage! military morality, sent him to gaol for twelve months; for making a second attempt whilst serving out this sentence, the police magistrate, who exhibited some slight appreciation of the character of the offence, gave him another month; and in judicial recognition of his third effort the evidently semi-insane soldier has just been committed for trial at the Assizes.

Now we really cannot see why Private THOMAS BURKE should not be allowed to efface himself off the face of the earth if he has a mind to, without being subjected to the pains and penalties attached to Imprisonment. His life is clearly his own to do with just as he likes, and as it doesn't appear to be a very valuable asset either to himself or to anybody else, it would have been both politic and expedient, as well as a simple

### act of justice, to have allowed him to shuffle off his mortal coil in his own fashion for a tour of inspection in the Unknown Beyond. If a man actually intends self-destruction, he will find the means sooner or later in spite of moral influences, military discipline, courts-martial, magistrates, and prisons, and if it is to be, why not soon rather than late? To send a man to prison for attempting to get out of the cares and worries of this wicked world is one of those illogical anomalies with which our Statute Book still bristles.

### TELEGRAMS.

#### THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR.

LONDON, September 13th.

A stubborn battle has been fought between the Chinese and Japanese forces at Kalcheong on the 17th and 18th, and the defeat of the latter is believed to be indecisive.

(The town of Kalcheong is about 40 miles north-west from Seoul in the province of Whanghae.—Ed. H.K. Telegraph.)

#### THE PRESS IN EGYPT.

The Editor of an Italian paper at Cairo has been ordered to quit Egypt owing to having published diatribes against the British.

#### THE GERMANS IN AFRICA.

The tribesmen are besieging Kilwa (on the East Coast) and menacing Lindy. German gun-boats have been despatched.

#### LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON August 17th.

The advance in silver is ascribed to be partially due to the rumour that China will take a portion of her new loan in silver, and also to an improvement in India exchanges and to the favourable views taken with regard to the Indian Budget.

BOMBAY, August 20th.

A young Italian miner, named Spigat Berdicci, lately arrived in India, returned to Bombay from the Wynad a few days ago, unsuccessful in finding work. This appears to have affected his mind, and, at 1 o'clock this morning in this Fort, he ran amok armed with a machine spike. He stabbed a "victoria" driver in Apollo Street, then a police sepoy on duty near the Cathedral, and afterwards three Hindus sleeping in front of a house, in the Par-Bazaar Street. He then threw the weapon away. The police were summoned to the locality, and chased, and ultimately captured him. He was remanded by the magistrate to-day. The victims are believed not to be seriously injured.

A Poona telegram says that feeling between Mahomedans and Hindus there has been much strained during the last few days in consequence of the circulation of exciting pamphlets calculated to annoy and insult the Mahomedans. The Hindus are arranging to introduce into some of their religious ceremonies a programme of mimicry of the rites of the Mohumum. The Mahomedans are much agitated, and are petitioning the Governor for the institution of repressive measures.

SIMLA, August 21st.

With regard to the question of Exchange Compensation allowance, it is said that the difficulties connected with its distribution are still under discussion, and nothing at all known as to when the question is likely to be settled.

LONDON, August 21st.

In the House of Lords last evening a debate took place regarding the administration of the lately established British Protectorates of Uganda. Lord Kimberley, in the course of his speech, said that the Government were organizing a monthly transport service for communication between Uganda and the coast, and sending a flotilla of steamers and launches for use in the Victoria Nyanza. Alluding to the services rendered by Col. Colville in the pacification of the country, his lordship praised the energy and discretion of that officer and eulogized the discipline and courage of the Soudanese troops under his command. In conclusion, his lordship said that it was the intention of Government, eventually, to appoint a civil administrator in the country.

August 22nd.

Official returns, issued in connection with the Straits Settlements for the reduction of the heavy amount of military contribution paid at present by the Colony, her Majesty's Treasury have fixed the contribution for the next year at eighty thousand pounds. The amount to be deducted afterwards will be subject to alteration by the Treasury.

SIMHAL, August 22nd.

Despatches received here from Reuter's correspondent in Korea show that a great victory has been gained by the Chinese forces there. On Friday last the Chinese troops defeated the Japanese troops in a battle fought at Pingyang and afterwards drove the Japanese from their entrenched positions with great slaughter. The Japanese hurriedly retreated to Chungku where they entrenched themselves during the night. Next morning the victorious Chinese forces advanced upon Chungku and after severe fighting ejected the Japanese from their positions with heavy loss. The Chinese loss has not yet been reported. In consequence of the disaster to the Japanese arms at Pingyang and Chungku some thousand Japanese left Seoul in the direction of Pingyang. Another battle is imminent. Japanese troops are re-embarking at Pusan and their destination is supposed to be Seoul. The capital of Korea is now entirely denuded of Japanese troops. It is reported that the Reverend Mr. Wylie, a Scotch missionary died of injuries inflicted by some Chinese soldiers at Newchawang on the march to Korea.

BOMBAY, August 22nd.

A Home telegram says the Directors of the Peninsular and Oriental Company have called for tenders for debenture stock to the amount of £500,000 to be issued at par rate, at interest at per cent. The amount has been subscribed more than three times over within five days of notice, and the stock is quoted at a premium in the London market before allotment. It is understood that the money is to be used in the construction of large and powerful vessels for the Company's mail lines, which will enable them to get rid of some of their older steamers.

ALLAHABAD, August 23rd.

While the Ganga lake is quickly filling to the brim, in another part of the Himalayas it seems a large lake has disappeared without causing damage or attracting notice. This is the Pandar lake in Yashin, a piece of water four and half miles long and at one end nearly a mile broad. A correspondent of the *Pioneer* passed it on the 13th July, and on returning on the 31st he found it vanished. A landslide which blocked the outlet of the lake was the cause. By extraordinary good fortune, the only damage done by the ensuing flood was the wrecking of a few country bridges.

LONDON, August 24th.

In the House of Commons yesterday evening, Sir Edward Grey, in reply to a question, said the expedition for defining the limits of the Buffer State to be created on the upper waters of the Mekong will start in October next.

A Key Shuttleworth, in reply to a question, said the efforts of the Admiralty to secure an increased supply of men for the Navy were extremely successful.

In a cricket match Surrey beat Kent by an innings and 136 runs. Lancashire defeated Middlesex by nine wickets.

*The Times* in a leading article revert to the subject of the agreement lately concluded between France and the Congo Independent State strongly urges the necessity of effective occupation of the Upper Nile by England.

*The Times*, correcting the former notice announces that it was General Frederick Chenevix Trench who had died at Braemar under suspicious circumstances.

August 24th.

In the House of Commons yesterday evening, replying to a series of questions regarding the right of search and seizure of British vessels by belligerents, the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs said it was impossible to determine the rules applicable thereto beforehand; the shippers, he declared, must act during the time of war on their own responsibility.

STANHAGA, August 25th.

Further particulars have been received of the fighting between the Chinese and Japanese on the 17th and 18th and the defeat of the latter at Pingyang. It is stated that 6,000 Japanese troops had just landed up the Tatong river and were marching inland when they were assailed by the Chinese cavalry which charged right through the division cutting it in two parts; meanwhile the Chinese artillery posted in a favourable position on a neighbouring eminence kept up a hot fire creating great havoc amongst the Japanese troops, who eventually fled until they gained the protection of the guns of their ships. The Japanese are reported to have lost over thirteen hundred men. The Chinese army has been reinforced and now numbers 34,000 troops of all arms. The Japanese hold the pass to the southward of the Chungkuwa. The Generals of the Chinese Army have decided to commence the attack on the position about the 22nd.

SIMLA, August 25th.

Legislation is to be commenced almost immediately in connection with leprosy, and it is proposed a Bill, which will be known as a Bill to provide isolation for lepers, will be shortly drafted for introduction during the Calculate session of the Legislative Council of India.

TIENTSIN, August 26th.

The Chinese authorities have increased the *Lekin* dues on yarn by five per cent; the probable *Lekin* duty on silk will also be raised four dollars per bale.

LONDON, August 26th.

Surrey has beaten Sussex by an innings and fifteen runs, and thus gains the first place in the results of county cricket matches played this season.

PARLIAMENT was prorogued to-day. The speech from the throne, which was read by the Lord Chancellor, states that relations with Foreign Powers are friendly and peace is undisturbed throughout the empire. Her Majesty regrets that the variety of African questions between Great Britain and France are still unsettled, but friendly negotiations are being conducted for arranging these difficulties. Siam, where the interests of British trade are so preponderating, is engaging the earnest attention of the Government, which trusts that the final settlement of the questions arising over the Franco-Siamese treaty will not be much longer delayed; meanwhile Commissioners have been appointed to delineate a central region in the vicinity of the Mekong. Her Majesty regrets the war in the East, which the Ministers tried to prevent in concert with those of Russia and other European Powers. The speech announces the conclusion of a treaty with Japan regulating commercial relations between the two countries. In conclusion, the speech enumerates the various measures passed during the session, the Finance Bill being particularly noticed.

SIMLA, August 26th.

Under the new American tariff, salt from India and Ceylon pays a duty of eight cents per hundred pounds.

LA HAGUE, August 26th.

The news of the disaster to the Dutch troops at Lombok has created a profound sensation throughout Holland. Signs of general gloom are everywhere apparent; all fêtes have been postponed.

As a transport, opens the trooping season, leaving the Solent on the 15th.

SIMLA, August 28th.

It has been decided that for the present no steps will be taken in connection with the reconstruction of the places damaged by the Gobna Lake, and nothing can be proposed, as the sides of the hills round the lake must be sodden and more slips seem likely to occur. Nothing can be done until the whole place settles down into its normal condition.

CARIO, August 29th.

A discovery having been made that some Paschas were purchasing slave girls, steps were taken which resulted in the arrest of two prominent Paschas while another absconded. The The greatest excitement prevails here.

LONDON, August 29th.

In connection with the recent success of the Italians at Kassala, and suggestions that the British Government should co-operate in the pacification of the Soudan, Reuter's agency learns that there is no question of any expedition being undertaken against Khartoum at present.

STANHAGA, August 29th.

*The Times* publishes a telegram from its correspondent at Shanghai stating that the British Government should co-operate in the pacification of the Soudan, Reuter's agency learns that there is no question of any expedition being undertaken against Khartoum at present.

LAHORE, August 29th.

The garrison at Cyprus has been ordered to Malta to fill up a vacancy caused by a depilation of the garrison for service in Egypt. Telegrams from Larnaca state that the withdrawal caused a panic amongst the Christian population in Cyprus who fear the step has been taken prior to the restoration of the island to Turkey.

THE CRICKET MATCH, The World v. Scotland, was played at Batavia on the 25th inst., and resulted in a crushing defeat of The World on the first innings by 135 runs and five wickets.

The World went in first but were quickly got rid of for 51. Loney, with 28, not out, alone being able to play the bowlers of McClure and Burt. Scotland totalled 156 for five wickets. McClure (58, not out) and Burt (48) being highest scores.

HERE is what the *Straits Times*, our friend of the bogus circulation, describes as "a Romanized Malay translation" of a couple of Reuter's telegrams—referring to a Russian Squadron sailing to Korea with all speed and to the handing over of two Japanese spies by the United States Consul at Shanghai to the Chinese authorities:—

Int. harj punya Renter telegram ada bilang Russa punya kapal prang sama dus legi kapal punya best basar mu pergi Korea das, ini chungu manu pergi jawa sapaya orang Russa punya menela jangka rosak.

Consul Amerika di negri Shanghai ada daptap tangkap dus orang Japon, sabab ini orang (japan punya trohron) mac datang prekus apas China ada baki pasasi prang, ini dus orang sakarana ada di tangkap orang China.

A MEETING of the Legislative Council will be held on Monday, the 17th instant, at 3 p.m.

The business will be:—Mr. E. R. Bellairs' Question; the Acting Colonial Secretary's Motion, and Mr. C. P. Chater's Motion, "Orders of the day":—(1.) First reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to make provision with regard to certain hours in the City of Victoria closed during the prevalence of the bubonic plague and to make further and better provision for the health of the Colony."

(2.) Second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to authorise the appropriation of a supplementary sum of two hundred and twelve thousand five hundred and forty-seven dollars and thirty-two cents to defray the charges of the year 1893." (3.) Committee on the Bill entitled "An Ordinance for the summary resumption of certain Crown Lands situated in the Tai-ping-shan district of the City of Victoria, and for other purposes."

IT dealing with a paragraph in Dr. Hoag's annual report on the Singapore General Hospital, from which it is inferred that the use of pure milk in the hospital is to be abandoned because impure and adulterated milk is cheaper, the *Press* says:—"In submission to that re-enforcement endorsed by the Colony to make up for the Treasury military raid, the shrinkage of revenue, and probable demands for exchange compensation, the sick and dying are to be deprived of what in serious cases is often the sole nutrient they can take, and to get instead the always dubious and sometimes dangerous fluid that goes by the courtesy title of 'King contractor's milk.' If there is any manner and at the same time more cruel and criminal way to exercise retrenchment than this case of a Government of a colony ordering the disease of pure milk at a hospital we should much like to know what that can be."

The only possible palliation of the act that we can imagine would be that this was done to manufacture evidence for future exhibition as an instance of the desperate devices a miserable Crown Colony is compelled to have recourse to in order to satisfy the horrid le

# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1894.

The ordinary general meeting of shareholders in the Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd., will be held at the Company's office, Praya Central, at noon to-morrow.

The latest addition to the "Glen" line, the *Glenfarg*, Capt. F. S. Sly, arrived from London, via ports of call, this forenoon, having left Singapore on the 8th inst. The *Glenfarg* is a steel screw-steamer of 3,645 tons, 360 ft. long, 44 ft. broad, 27 ft. deep, and carries 5,600 tons.

She was built by the London and Glasgow Shipbuilding Co. of Glasgow and ran a satisfactory trial trip on the Clyde on June 1st. Her engines are triple expansion, cylinders 29" and 47", 75" in diameter, and with stroke of 48", driving her at a speed of over twelve and a half knots. This powerful steamer will be a valuable acquisition to the popular "Glen" line.

In the Supreme Court, Singapore, on the 4th inst., Chief Justice Cox gave his decision in re the application made on behalf of Capt. Nicol, of the steamship *Namanya*, which was to the effect that the finding of a Marine Court of Inquiry which censured him and suspended his master's certificate for four months on account of the stranding of the *Namanya* on the south-west coast of Sumatra Island, Carimata Strait, on the 6th August, was invalid and should be set aside and the proceedings removed to the Supreme Court, on the ground that the Marine Court had brought no charge against him. After a lengthy and elaborate judgment the Chief Justice refused the applica-

tion, the not very far distant future. Talking of the war reminds me of the report of the discussion at a meeting of the Hongkong "Odd Volumes" society that appeared in a recent issue of the *Telegraph*, which was most interesting. It is generally conceded here that the subject was handled in a highly creditable manner and the final conclusions arrived at, that the war was forced upon China and the Japanese were not justified in waging this war, were the only correct views that intelligent and impartial spectators can take of the situation. The *Telegraph's* report of the meeting has been translated by all the native papers and thousands of copies of the wood-cut in the midst of a mass of Chinese hieroglyphics have been extensively sold all over the city and suburbs.

The plague is never mentioned here now-a-days, and for the very good reason that it has died out after claiming fully 200,000 victims.

No attempt is being made to kill the bacilli in the surface soil of infected houses, so it will probably reappear about next March or April. You had therefore better look out in Hongkong, otherwise you'll be sure to have a repetition of this year's deadly epidemic in the summer of 1894.

Recruiting sergeants are reported to be very busy raising 10,000 men; 10,000 to be sent to Swatow and 10,000 to Formosa.

## A RIGHTEOUS WAR.

### JAPAN'S JUSTIFICATION.

There have been many "justifications" of the present war penned by Japanese journalists and the substance of many of their pleas has been given in translation to foreign readers; but very few have attempted to write their arguments directly in English, while still publishing in a vernacular periodical. This, however, has just been done by Mr. Kanso Uchimura, his chosen vehicle for publication being *The Nation's Friend*, a weekly issued from the *Kokumin* office. The righteousness of the war is Mr. Uchimura's great justification for it. In this materialistic country, he says, facts have come to be regarded as the only and just causes for war. But no one will doubt the existence of righteous wars in history; and the Korean war now opened must, he opines, take rank as such. Righteous, he contends, Japan's struggle against China is not only in a legal sense, for legalities can be manufactured, but in a moral sense as well. It is our wish to give Mr. Uchimura's views a clear statement: As a newspaper writer he is well known, and by training and experience he is well qualified to give an expression of opinion. We therefore refrain from comment, and proceed directly to summarise his paper.

Japan's reluctance to enter upon the present conflict must be acknowledged by all intelligent observers. Guided by a very *unwarlike* Cabinet, at a time of marked internal prosperity, war was a thing to be avoided; if "insts" were our aims, then avoidance of war should be our policy. But China's behaviour during a score of years has been unbearable; the great Salgo saw this insincerity, and his desire to chastise it cost him his life and the nation a terrible civil war—"Indeed we killed our own that we might avoid conflicts with our neighbour." While we laboured to open Korea to the world, China laboured to close it, to keep it alien to civilisation and to progress. The nation that promised to be another rising star of the East has remained to this day an occult star, with its resources all sealed, and bribery and misgovernment walking out in open daylight. The assassination of Kim, the Togakute rebellion, the appeal to China produced a crisis. "Some fifteen millions of helpless souls kept ignorant and defenceless to satisfy the jealousy of the world's most backward nation—could this be borne by lovers of freedom and reverers of human right?" To the possible protests that Japan had no right to interfere more than China and is as blameable as the latter for sending troops, that Japan is in fact the provoker of the war, Mr. Uchimura replies: "Interference in itself is not wrong; we believe in *laisses faire* and the Great Britain granted which led to the recent dispute with England.

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*WASHINGTON*, August 14th. At the request of the State Department, Secretary Herbert has directed Captain Coffin, of the cruiser *Charleston*, now at the Mare Island Navy Yard, to make preparations for sailing. As soon as the ship is ready for sea she will be sent to the Asiatic station to join the vessels there now for the purpose of protecting the interest of Americans in China and Japan during the war between the two countries.

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*RIO JANEIRO*, August 14th. A severe storm was reported yesterday at Santos, but it is abating.

*MONTEVIDE*O, August 14th. There has been a terrible storm on the coast since Sunday. Ships left the harbour for safety. It is feared two are lost.

*BRUSSELS*, August 14th. The police to-day arrested forty-seven persons classed as dynamiters.

*MADRID*, August 14th. The cyclone which swept over the province of Ciudad Real yesterday was accompanied by a terrific storm of hail. Over 200 persons were injured and several thousand animals were killed. The damage to crops in the province is estimated at \$300,000.

*PORTE LIMON* (Costa Rica), August 14th. Chief Clarence desires to resign. Seeing no chance of success without the aid of the British and American Governments he has recalled the commissioners sent to Washington.

*QUINCY* (Mass.), August 14th. John Quincy Adams died at Mount Wallaston this morning.

*LONDON*, August 14th. The Times announces the death of James Allan, the head of the Allen steamship line.

*NEW YORK*, August 14th. A special despatch from Lima, Peru, says: The rebels have been retaken upon Matanaca and a serious combat has taken place at Tambor, in which many were killed on both sides. A French modiste, accused of conspiracy, has been acquitted and liberated.

*A World* despatch from Valparaiso says:

The Government of Peru, it is reported, is shooting the rebel prisoners. Ex-President Borges is going abroad. President Cáceres wants a loan raised.

*ST. PETERSBURG*, August 14th. Considerable excitement has been caused by a despatch from London stating it is Great Britain's intention to propose to the powers to intervene in Korea with the view of obtaining the evacuation of that country by Japan and China and the establishment of international control. It is stated Russia would prefer to allow the war to continue.

*TENBY* (Wales), August 14th. During the regatta to-day a small excursion steamer capsized in the Caldy roads. Twenty excursionists on board were rescued by boats from Caldy Island.

*MADRID*, August 14th. A cyclone has swept over the provinces of Madrid and Ciudad Real. Over 200 persons are reported killed or wounded.

*LONDON*, August 14th. The Evicted Tenants Bill has been rejected by the House of Lords by a vote of 249 to 30.

After Baron Athelborne, Baron Herschel, the Marquis of Ciancaro and others had spoken for and against the bill, Lord Salisbury spoke in opposition to the measure. He denied that the House of Lords was a landlord's house. They were threatened with abolition, but he had noticed that in France when the second chamber was abolished the extinction of the lower chamber followed. He concluded by expressing the hope that the House would do its duty and reject the dangerous measures.

The debate this evening was in striking contrast to the monotonous discussion of Monday.

A majority of the speakers displayed animation which at times amounted to passion. Even the Duke of Devonshire shook off his usual apathy and spoke with great vigour against the measure.

He professed readiness, however, to assist the Government in any reasonable plan of settlement.

Lord Ashbourne and Lord Herschel gave themselves the fullest rest. The latter especially displayed passion, clutching his fist as his invective grew fiercer and fiercer, until, after a savage outburst, he concluded by shouting:

"I will not waste breath any longer." The opposition lost their temper at this, and there were angry cries of "Hear, hear."

A split has occurred among the members of the House committee which is considering the Irish land question action, and a minority, representing the views of the landlords, has seceded.

The Emperor William's visit this afternoon to ex-Emperor Eugene, at Farnborough, after the review at Aldershot, is much commented upon and praised. The Emperor took tea with the ex-Emperor.

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The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

BANKS.  
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.—91 per cent., prem., buyers.  
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £3,000 paid up,—\$24, sellers.  
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' shares, nominal.  
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—nominal.  
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—Founders' shares,—\$5, buyers.

CHINESE LOANS.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 £—11 per cent. premium.

MARINE INSURANCES.

Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$130 per share, sales and buyers.  
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$65 per share, buyers.  
North China Insurance—Tls. 170 per share, buyers.  
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$140 per share, buyers.  
Yangtze Insurance Association—\$75, sellers.  
Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 15 per share.  
The Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.—\$17 per share, sales and buyers.

FIRE INSURANCES.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$180 per share, buyers.  
China Fire Insurance Company—\$77 per share, buyers.  
The Straits Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., \$21 per share, sellers.

SHIPPING.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$26 per share, sellers.  
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—\$65, sales and buyers.  
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—\$41, sales and buyers.  
Douglas Steamship Company—\$2, buyers.  
China Mutual Shippers Co., Ltd.—(Preference)—\$6 per share, nominal.  
China Mutual Shippers Co., Ltd.—(Ordinary)—\$1 per share, nominal.

REFINERIES.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$156 per share, sellers.  
Lungh Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$48, buyers.

MINING.

Panjim Mining Co.—(Ordinary)—\$6.15 per share, buyers.  
Panjim Mining Co.—(Preference)—\$1.90 per share, sales and sellers.  
The Raft Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$5.10 per share, buyers.  
The New Belmont Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$2 per share, buyers.  
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin—\$70 per share, sellers.  
The Ile de la Mine and Trading Co., Limited—\$5.85, sales and sellers.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—78 per cent. premium, buyers.  
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$21 per share, buyers.  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$7 per share, buyers.  
Wanchai Warehouse Co., Ltd.—\$40 per share, sellers.

HOTELS.

Hongkong Hotel Company—\$10 per share, buyers.  
Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$501.  
The Shamian Hotel Co., Limited—nominal.

LANDS AND BUILDING.

The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.  
The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$51, buyers.  
The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$30, per share, buyers.  
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.—\$34 per share, sellers.

DISPENSARIES.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$101 sales and sellers.  
Dakin, Cruckshank & Co., Limited—\$14 per share, sales and buyers.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$6 per share, sellers.  
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$4 per share, buyers.  
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$1.08 per share, sales and buyers.  
Hongkong Gas Company—\$125 per share, buyers.  
Hongkong Ice Company—\$78 per share, sellers.  
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$40 per share, sellers.  
The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$3 per share, buyers.  
The Green Island Cement Co.—\$51, buyers.  
The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$4.75, buyers.  
The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$70, buyers.  
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.—\$2 per share.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON—Bank, T. T.—2/1  
Bank Bills, on demand.....2/2  
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight.....2/2  
Credits at 4 months' sight.....2/2  
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight.....2/2  
On PARIS—  
Bank Bills, on demand.....2.73  
Credits, at 4 months' sight.....2.79  
On INDIA—  
T. T. ....191  
On Demand .....192  
On SHANGHAI—  
Bank, T. T. ....74  
Private, 30 days' sight .....75  
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate), \$9.05  
Silver (per oz.) .....29

VISITORS AT THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

Lieut. Aranjo, Mr. C. E. Mehta,  
Mr. J. Batela, Mr. T. Mitchell,  
Rev. S. A. Bayley, Mr. Oscar Nodt,  
Mr. S. Le Breton, Mr. H. Plett,  
Miss de Costa, Baron de Rajaratnabu.  
Captain H. Craig, Mr. C. R. Smith,  
Captain R. Crawford, Mr. F. X. Shean,  
Mr. W. A. Duff, Mr. A. Smith,  
Mr. W. Dufor, Mr. T. P. Cook,  
Mr. J. G. East, Capt. W. W. Wilson,  
Mr. D. Gorham, Mr. W. Wilson,  
Mr. J. H. Hopkins, Mr. Alfred D. Wilson,  
Mr. J. Kinghorn, Mr. W. Wilson,  
Mr. R. Lyell, Mr. W. Wilson,  
Mr. and Mrs. E. Lyell.

VISITORS AND RESIDENTS AT THE PEAR HOTEL.

Mr. J. E. Buckle, Capt. and Mrs. Moore,  
Mr. J. A. E. Chaudet, Mr. F. Morony,  
Miss Coe, Mr. C. Nielsen,  
Mr. H. Crombie, Mr. W. Parfitt,  
Mr. H. L. Dalrymple, Mr. N. Plant,  
Mr. E. Delbano, Mrs. Robinson and  
children,  
Mr. J. P. Dowling, Mr. Sanderson,  
Mr. G. Fenwick, Mr. F. H. Staggs,  
Mr. W. S. Harrison, Mr. & Mrs. Findlay,  
Mr. G. Holmes, Smith and family,  
Mr. J. E. Macrae, Capt. & Mrs. Stomah,  
Mr. Morton Jones, Mr. A. G. Stokes,  
Mr. Medhurst.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.  
The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer *Oceanis*, with the outward French mail, left Singapore on the 12th instant at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on the 19th ultimo.

THE AMERICAN MAILS.  
The U. S. S. Co.'s steamer *China*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama and Nagasaki on the 28th ultimo.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Belgique*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 8th instant.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamer *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver on the 26th ultimo for Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai and Hongkong.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-China steamer *Chelydra*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 8th instant, and may be expected here to-morrow.

NORTHERN PACIFIC MAIL.

The Northern Pacific steamship Co.'s steamer *Tacoma*, from Tacoma, left Yokohama on the 9th instant for Kobe, and may be expected here on the 16th.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Malwa* left Bombay on the 28th ultimo, and may be expected here to-morrow.

The steamer *Pathan* left Singapore on the 11th instant, and may be expected here on the 17th.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Ajass* left Singapore on the 11th instant, and may be expected here on the 17th.

The China Mutual steamer *Paklung*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Suez for Singapore on the 5th instant, and may be expected here on the 18th.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Malacca* left Bombay on the 11th instant, and may be expected here on the 20th.

The N. G. I. steamer *Blisigno* left Bombay on the 9th instant, and may be expected here on the 16th.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

13th September, 1894.—At 4 p.m.

STATION	Barom.	Wind.	Temp.	Hum.	Wind.						
Whampoa	10.06	55	75	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nagasaki	10.01	50	45	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shanghai	10.03	75	15	E	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Canton	10.00	50	25	N	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Amoy	10.05	65	68	NE	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Arapac	10.05	65	75	SW	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Canton	10.05	65	75	SW	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hongkong	10.05	65	75	SW	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Victoria Peak	10.05	65	75	SW	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Macao	10.05	65	75	SW	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hobart	10.05	65	75	SW	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Macau	10.05	65	75	SW	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cape St. James	10.01	65	75	SW	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

14th September, 1894.—At 10 a.m.

STATION	Barom.	Wind.	Temp.	Hum.	Wind.						
Whampoa	10.03	65	80	NNW	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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Cape St. James	10.01	65	75	SW	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

Straits of Dover, British steamer, 1,904, Holiday, 13th September, —Moj 6th Sept., Cosas—Order.

Malwa, British schooner, 1,785, R. A. Peters, 14th Sept., —Bombay 28th August, and Singapore 8th September, General—P. & O. S. Co.

Benlomond, British steamer, 1,752, A. W. Thompson, 9th Sept., —Kutchinbaria, 4th Sept., Coal's Co., Gibb, Livingston & Co.

City of Peking, American steamer, 1,120, R. R. Seale, 13th Sept., —San Francisco 16th August, Yokohama 5th Sept., and Nagasaki 9th Sept., Mails and General—P. & O. S. Co., Devanagonse, British steamer, 1,057, T. S. Reid, 2nd Sept., —Bangkok 21st August, General, —Yuen Fat Hong.

Fame, British steamer, 1,157, Captain Stepanoff, —Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.'s tug, Fushun, Chinese steamer, 1,104, W. H. Lewis, 27th July, —Canton 27th July, General, —C. M. S. N. Co.

Hailong, British steamer, 783, J. Reach, 13th Sept., —Fo-chow 9th Sept., Amoy 10th, and Swatow 12th, General—D. Lapras & Co.

Holstein, German steamer, 1,104, J. Bruns, 12th Sept., —Touron 9th September, General—Siemens & Co.

Menimur, British steamer, 1,247, St. John George, 12th Sept., —Shanghai 4th Sept., and Foochow 11th, Tea—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

Pakshan, British steamer, 815, J. Jenkins, 9th Sept., —Bangkok 1st Sept., Rice—Hoing Hong.

Praya Nang, British steamer, 1,021, W. H. Watson, 6th Sept., —Bangkok 21st August, Rice and General—Yuen Fat Hong.